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1. The reply filed on February 25, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicants fail to present arguments regarding obviousness rejections of (1) claims 1, 5, 7 over Hawkins (US Patent No. 5,490,608) and (2) claims 1-3, 5-7, 9, 12-14, 16, 18-20, 22, 24 and 26 over Riordan (US Patent No. 6,105,812). See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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